

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S12017–S12063

Measures Introduced: Seven bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1729–1735. **Pages S12054–55**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 2559, to amend chapter 90 of title 5, United States Code, relating to Federal long-term care insurance.

S. 1271, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small business concerns with certain Federal paperwork requirements, to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small business concerns, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1729, to provide assistance with respect to the mental health needs of individuals affected by the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

S. 1731, to strengthen the safety net for agricultural producers, to enhance resource conservation and rural development, to provide for farm credit, agricultural research, nutrition, and related programs, to ensure consumers abundant food and fiber. **Page S12053**

Measures Passed:

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Compliance Extension: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. 1684, to provide a 1-year extension of the date for compliance by certain covered entities with the administrative simplification standards for electronic transactions and code sets issued in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S12059–60**

Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform. **Pages S12036–43**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, November 29, 2001. **Page S12036**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to

proceed to consideration of H.R. 10 (listed above) at 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, November 28, 2001.

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Measures Indefinitely Postponed:

Rules Committee Expenditure Authorization: S. Res. 39, authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Rules and Administration. **Page S12059**

Appointments:

Medal of Valor Review Board: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 107–12, the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Medal of Valor Review Board: David E. Demag, of Vermont, and Thomas J. Scotto, of New York.

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Medal of Valor Review Board: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public Law 107–12, the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Medal of Valor Review Board: Michael D. Branham, of Arizona, and Jimmy Houston, of Mississippi.

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Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive report of a committee:

Report to accompany the International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings (Treaty Doc. 106–6), and the International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism (Treaty Doc. 106–49) (Exec. Rept. No. 107–2)

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

William Baxter, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for the term expiring May 18, 2002 and for the term expiring May 18, 2011. **Page S12063**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

By a unanimous vote of 95 yeas (Vote No. 342), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination of William Baxter, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: